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RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Claims, Fees, and Inventors

In response to your request for a corrected Filing Receipt, the Office is unable to comply with the request because:

- ☐ The total number of claims appearing on the Filing Receipt does not include multiple dependent claims. The total fee appearing on the Filing Receipt includes the cost of multiple dependent claims that were present at the time the application was filed.
- ☒ The filing fee is correct. It may include additional claims fees and/or the surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16 (e) for filing an oath/declaration or basic filing fee after the application filing date; or it may not reflect fees refunded to the applicant that were paid by mistake.
- ☒ The number of claims reflected on the filing receipt is correct. Upon review of the claims, it was found that there was a miscalculation by the applicant. This may be due to improperly presented multiple dependent claims, typographical error, misnumbering of the claims, or other oversight. An amendment may be necessary to correct the problem.
- ☐ The filing fee reflected on the filing receipt is correct. Applicant may have miscalculated the fees due.
- ☐ Applicant calculated fees as other than small entity; however, applicant asserted small entity status in the application. Therefore, fees were applied as small entity and the remainder was refunded to the applicant.
- ☐ The difference between the fees paid and the fees due was refunded to the applicant and will not be shown on the filing receipt.
- ☐ The inventor information may be truncated if the family name consists of more than 50 characters (letters and spaces combined) and if the given name consists of more than 50 characters (letters and

spaces combined).

- ☐ The inventor's residence allows for up to 40 characters (letters and spaces combined).
- ☐ The inventor's residence will only include the city and state for U.S. residences or city and country for residences outside the U.S. (See MPEP 605.02).
- ☐ A petition to correct the inventorship is needed to make this change. See 37 CFR 1.48. For non-provisional applications, the petition should be directed to the Director of the examining group assigned to your application.
- ☐ Changes made after submission of an executed declaration to the inventor information other than correction of typographical errors must be submitted in the form of a substitute declaration. Change of inventorship requires a petition under 37 CFR 1.48.
- ☐ The number of drawings shown on the filing receipt reflects the number of drawing sheets submitted and is not necessarily equal to the number of figures submitted.
- ☐ The correspondence address was captured as directed by applicant on filing. If you wish correspondence to be directed otherwise, please submit a request for a change of address.
- ☐ The docket number allows a maximum of 25 characters.
- ☐ The person signing on behalf of the deceased inventor is reflected on the Filing Receipt as the legal representative.
- ☐ The filing date of a parent application cannot be changed by this request. A petition to correct the filing date in the parent application is required.



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RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Domestic Continuity and Foreign Priority

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- ☐ The priority or continuity claim has not been entered because it was not filed during the required time period. Applicant may wish to consider filing a petition to accept an unintentionally delayed claim for priority. See 37 CFR 1.55 or 1.78.
- ☒ Continuity claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 cannot be added to the Filing Receipt without the applicant supplying the relationship (continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part) in an Application Data Sheet or amendment to the first page of the specification.
- ☐ A claim for priority cannot be made based on an application filed after the application making the claim.
- ☐ Domestic benefit and foreign priority claims will not be captured in a provisional application. A provisional application is not entitled to a right of priority or to the benefit of an earlier filing date of any other application. See 35 U.S.C. § 111(b)(7) and 37 CFR 1.53(c)(4).
- ☐ A domestic continuity claim cannot be made to a foreign application and the filing receipt will only list the foreign country, application number, and filing date.
- ☐ Foreign priority will appear on the Filing Receipt in the following order: **Country, Application number, Filing date.**
- ☐ This application is the result of a conversion from a provisional application. Priority based on such application cannot be made since it no longer exists as a provisional application.

- ☐ The application(s) to which priority is claimed were filed over a year prior to the filing date of this application. Therefore, the referenced application(s) cannot be claimed as domestic or foreign priority.
- ☐ To change the benefit claim of a U.S. prior-filed application, applicant must amend the first sentence of the specification (if the benefit claim is referenced in the specification), or provide a supplemental application data sheet (ADS) (if the benefit claim was submitted in an ADS), with the desired benefit claim. Note that once a benefit claim is deleted, applicant will not be able to claim such prior-filed application again, if the above-identified application was filed on or after November 29, 2000.
- ☐ To change a foreign priority claim, applicant must submit a supplemental oath or declaration (if the priority claim is referenced in the oath or declaration), or a supplemental application data sheet (ADS) (if the priority claim was submitted in an ADS), with the desired priority claim. If a supplemental ADS is submitted, any deletions should be shown with strikeouts. Note that once a priority claim is deleted, applicant will not be able to claim such foreign application again, if the above-identified application was filed on or after November 29, 2000.



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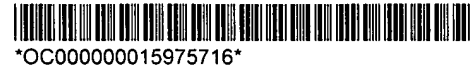
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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

This is in response to the Power of Attorney filed 04/13/2005.

The Power of Attorney in this application is accepted. Correspondence in this application will be mailed to the above address as provided by 37 CFR 1.33.

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